

three steamers previously reported as having been destroyed, a mine sweeper, clearing the sea, was blown up to-day, and it is reported two other vessels met a like fate. This occurred while the gunners of the victims of the bombardment at Scarborough and the Harlepool were being held.

While the motor section of the South African defense force is gathering in the remainder of the scattered rebels, the main army is forming on German South African frontier, where the advance guards are in touch.

SEVERAL GERMAN ATTACKS

RECEIVED BY RUSSIANS
PETROGRAD, December 19.—The following official communication was issued to-night from general headquarters:

"On the right bank of the Vistula (North Poland) there has been no change. An attempt by the enemy to proceed from the right bank of the Vistula near Dobrynia was repulsed by artillery fire. The enemy has been compelled to evacuate quickly an island in the Vistula which we had occupied. We seized at this point several pontoon bridges.

"The fighting on the Bura River has begun to develop. We have repulsed several German attacks in other regions. On the left bank of the Vistula there have been engagements only by advance guards.

"In West Galleia, on the left bank of the Dunaizet on the night of December 17-18, we captured as many as 1,000 prisoners belonging to a German division which already had been engaged in this region.

"A strong force from the Przemyśl garrison attempted to open the railway in the direction of Bierzca (to the southwest). Our troops are fighting here under favorable conditions."

MILITARY AVIATORS

BURNED TO DEATH

PARIS, December 19 (4:11 P. M.).—Lieutenant Grugere and Major Des-touche, military aviators, were burned to death today when, during a flight over Vaugrard, their biplane was struck by a gust of wind, dashed to the earth and caught fire.

MINE SWEEPER BLOWN UP

IN SCARBOROUGH REGION

LONDON, December 19 (7:20 P. M.).—Lloyd's agent at Scarborough sends word that a mine sweeper which, with several others, was engaged in sweeping for mines five miles southeast of Scarborough, was blown up. One man was rescued, but the rest of the crew are missing. It is reported that two other vessels have been blown up in the region visited by the German squadron which raided the eastern coast.

VICTIMS OF BOMBARDMENT

BURIED IN SCARBOROUGH

LONDON, December 19 (9:05 P. M.).—Many victims of the German bombardment of the English east coast towns were buried to-day. In Scarborough, where eleven funerals took place, a memorial service was conducted in the parish church by the Archbishop of York. In Harlepool and West Harlepool some victims were buried with military honors.

DECREE FOR NATIONAL LOAN

OF 1,000,000,000 FRANCES

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.]
ROME, December 19.—King Victor Emmanuel to-day issued a decree authorizing a national loan of 1,000,000,000 francs (approximately \$200,000,000).

Promulgation of this decree marks culmination of the fight for funds to carry out the program of military preparation for which the "war party" of Italy has been striving, and which resulted recently in the disruption of the cabinet and its subsequent reorganization with a personnel which eliminated the opponents of further expenditures for military purposes. It means that with the floating of the loan Italy will be confronted by no financial obstacle, if it elects to enter the war.

GERMAN NEWSPAPERS

CONTAIN LITTLE COMMENT

BERLIN, December 19 (wireless).—In the absence of further advice regarding the reported German victory in Poland, German newspapers contain little comment on the situation in that war arena. It is announced that the retreating Russians are being followed up, but nothing is known of the character of their retirement or of the pursuit.

In view of the conservative character of German official reports to-day, the announcement on Friday that the situation near Nieuport, Belgium, continues favorable, gives rise to the general expectation that the news of importance may come from that direction.

The Austrians appeared to have abandoned temporarily all operations in Serbia.

AUSTRIANS CAPTURE

THOUSANDS OF RUSSIANS

THE HAGUE (via London, 12:15 A. M.), December 20.—The total number of Russians captured by Austro-Hungarians in Galicia in the last few days is reported in Vienna dispatches 33,000. After the fighting at Limanowa, 26,000 Russians were captured. It is asserted that the number of Russians killed in large, 1,200 dead being found at Limanowa alone.

GERMAN POSITIONS HEAVILY

SHELLED BY BRITISH SHIPS

DOVER, December 20 (via London, 12:04 A. M.).—German positions between Nieuport and Middelkerke were heavily shelled by British warships early Saturday. It is said the Germans replied at one point with twelve-inch naval guns.

During the earlier stage of the action the German fire was heavy, but apparently the guns were destroyed or withdrawn, as the reply later was light.

WORK ON NAVAL BILL BEGUN

Committee Hopes to Report Measure to House Before Holiday Recess

WASHINGTON, December 19.—With the completion of public hearings, House Naval Committee men to-day began informal study of this year's appropriation bill, analyzing testimony and comparing it with estimates and recommendations of the Navy Department. The committee hopes to report the bill to the House before the holiday recess.

Representative Roberts has submitted to the committee a statement, based on a communication from Secretary Daniels, comparing the annual recommendations of the general board of the navy with what Congress actually granted during the years 1903-1914. The statement shows the general board recommended thirty-eight battleships, one armored cruiser, three protected cruisers and two battle cruisers. Congress authorized seventeen battleships, two armored cruisers and no protected cruisers or battle cruisers. Other important recommendations made by the board were 111 destroyers, of which Congress authorized fifty-two; thirty-four scout cruisers, of which Congress allowed three; and thirty submarines, which Congress increased to fifty-five.

Maple Sugar for Christmas.
OTTAWA, December 19.—A Christmas present of maple sugar has been made by the Duchess of Connaught to every Canadian under arms, shore and afloat. Fifty thousand six-pound pieces were distributed.

Kings Seek to Safeguard Interests



King Frederick of Denmark



King Gustav of Sweden



King Haakon of Norway

DOCTOR ARRESTED ON COCAINE CHARGE

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sent into the place with marked money and succeeded in purchasing packets of the drug before the raid was made, according to the detectives. These packets will be used as evidence against them, as will the marked money, which was found on their persons, and the quantity of cocaine packets which were discovered in the house.

It was in a former raid on this place several years ago that Detective Sergeant Kregel was accidentally shot through the arm with a revolver belonging to Pompey Flournoy. The detective was forced to remain in the hospital some weeks as a result, and during the time before he was able to return to active duty, gave his attention to the cocaine traffic. His investigations resulted in the police learning much concerning the business here, but it was not until recently that they were able to gather evidence sufficient to bring the cases into court.

FRANK CONTINUES HIS FIGHT FOR LIFE

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said court or justice shall certify that there is probable cause for such allowance."

Before 1908 such a certificate was not required. Should a judge not forward such a certificate, it was stated to-day that an appeal probably would be dismissed by the Supreme Court.

An appeal in the Frank case, properly lodged, would not ordinarily come up for consideration by the Supreme Court for nearly two years, but most applications by State officials to advance habeas corpus appeals are granted.

HONOR FOR NEWSPAPER MAN

Decorated With Grand Cross, by Austrian Emperor.

WASHINGTON, December 19.—John Callan O'Loughlin, an American newspaper man who accompanied the Christmas ship Jason with gifts for children of the warring nations in Europe, has been decorated with the Grand Cross of the Order of Francis Joseph by the Austrian Emperor, according to dispatches to the embassy here to-day.

HEADS OF THREE NATIONS MEET AT MALMO, SWEDEN

MALMO, SWEDEN, December 19 (via London, 3:10 P. M.).—King Christian of Denmark, King Gustave of Sweden, and King Haakon of Norway, who arrived here yesterday to formulate an agreement combining their interests during the war, held further conferences to-day, after which they conferred with their respective ministers.

A joint final conference will be held later, in which the Kings, the Foreign Ministers and the departmental officers will take part.

ENTHUSIASTIC DEMONSTRATION

IN HONOR OF THREE KINGS

LONDON, December 20 (3:05 A. M.).—A Reuter dispatch from Malmo, Sweden, describes an enthusiastic demonstration in honor of the Kings of Norway, Denmark and Sweden, who have been conferring there. A huge crowd cheered the Kings on their departure. King Gustave and King Haakon made a cordial farewell to King Christian aboard the cruiser Heimdal, which then sailed to Copenhagen. The Kings of Sweden and Norway proceeded to the station, where King Haakon left for Norway by special train. King Gustave returned to the palace to await the Queen, who arrived from Berlin. Their majesties then left for Stockholm.

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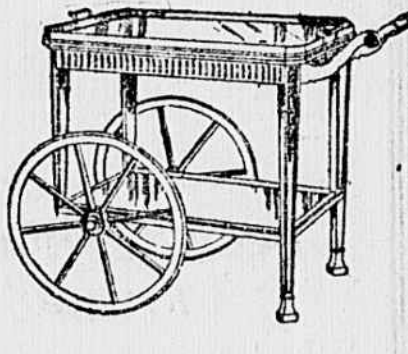
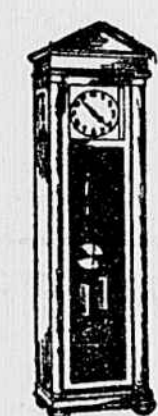
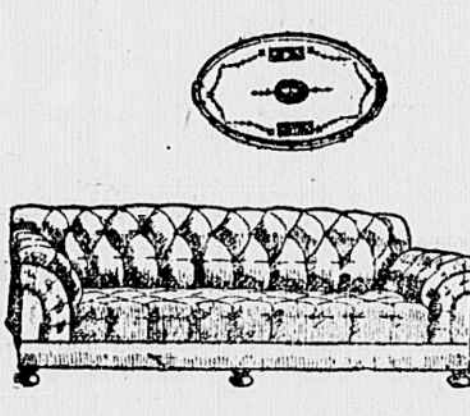
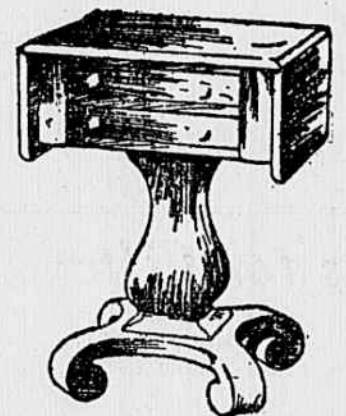
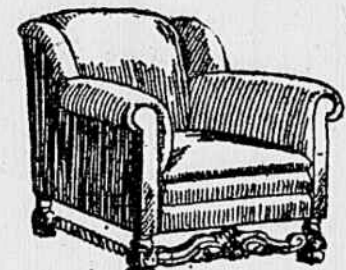
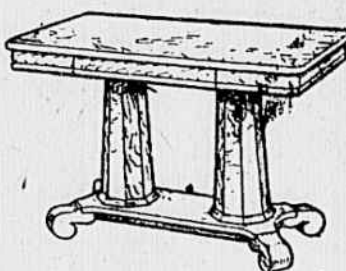
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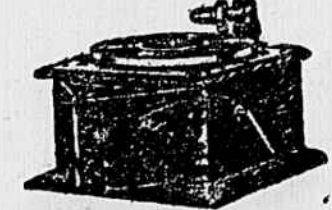
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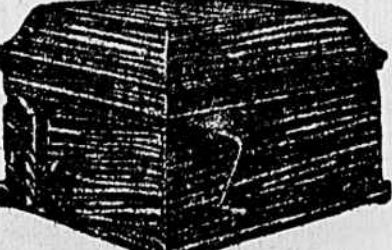
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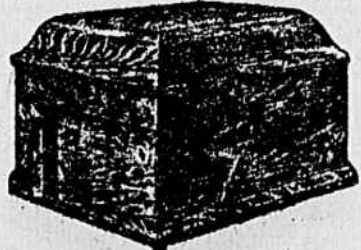
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